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STILL SURGING FORWARD.

When so cautious a writer as Mr. Frank H. Simonds gives currency to the Paris prediction that the whole Hindenburg line will be in Allied hands by the first of October we may regard the whole situation on the western front with much satisfaction. It is quite true that the German armies which are evading pitched battles and are retreating before the Allies still are reckoned with; but the fact that they acknowledge defeat and are unable to hold the line along a very extended front means that they are no longer the armies which formerly fought successfully on the same identical ground.

There is another very encouraging feature of the situation. It is that Marshal Foch is now in a position to strike many blows instead of one. Mr. Simonds anticipates blows by the British, Americans and French at points other than those chosen for recent successful drives, and adds that if these should win any considerable success it would mean the retirement of the Germans to the Franco-Belgian frontier.

Today's early reports show that the British made steady progress all day yesterday, wiping out machine gun nests, overcoming the enemy rear guards, gathering in more prisoners, and inflicting damage by shelling roads behind the German lines, over which the beaten Germans are hurriedly retreating. One cable says:

"The extension of the British line north of the Scarpe has brought the attackers to within striking distance of a good part of the Hindenburg line, back of which is open country with the terrain and roads in excellent condition for the movement of tanks and horses."

Today's cables quote extracts from letters taken from German prisoners or found on German dead which show clearly that despair is seizing upon the enemy soldiers, whatever may be the feeling of the high command. One letter significantly says: "Our losses greatly exceed all the drafts—Germany is sure to lose very soon." Of course this is only the utterance of one man, with a limited knowledge, but there are many such letters and they show clearly that the morale of the army has been lowered disastrously by the heavy reverses of recent weeks. In contrast with this is the enthusiasm and splendid fighting spirit of the men in every branch of the Allied service. Evidence of that is found in the brief stories of what this or that unit accomplished in the face of serious danger in the forward movement of the last few days. It is found also in the story of the bombing of Mannheim, a particularly daring exploit carried out in the teeth of superior numbers, regardless of the odds or the peril.

The demoralized state of the enemy fronting the British is shown by today's reports, which tell of remnants of companies of various regiments being thrown in here and there in a desperate effort to stay the British advance. It is of course assumed that Ludendorff is seeking to rally his strength for a more determined stand, but the Allied advance continues and he is suffering constant losses and must constantly meet fresh thrusts that cannot but discourage his plans and make his task increasingly hard. With the British today practically astride of the Hindenburg line at one point, and a well-equipped and confident enemy surging steadily forward along the whole battlefield, the problem Ludendorff must solve is more difficult than any that has yet taxed his powers, and it is only a question of how long he can stand off utter defeat.

Today's reports tell of further brilliant success by the French around Roye, and the British are in Bapaume.

THE NEW STATUS.

In a recent speech in an Ontario town Hon. N. W. Rowell gave a very interesting explanation of the duties of the Imperial War Cabinet. Prior to its formation the British War Cabinet had full control of Imperial matters as well as of the domestic problems of the United Kingdom, but this, at least for the period of the war, has been changed. Mr. Rowell says:

"When this war broke out, Canada enjoyed complete control over her own domestic affairs, but in all questions of foreign policy, in the supreme issues of peace and war, issues affecting the lives and welfare of her people, Canada had no voice. These matters, so vitally affecting Canada's future, were in the hands of the government of Great Britain as trustee for the whole Empire. Every thoughtful student recognized that this condition could not indefinitely continue. All must be agreed that Canada's position and her part in this war entitled her to a voice in determining the issues of peace and war and in settling her own destiny. The difficult problem which faced the statesmen of the Empire was how to reconcile autonomy with unity. This problem has been solved, for the present at least, by the institution of the Imperial War Cabinet, and Canada now has a voice in determining the issues of peace and war, not as a favor, but as a right. Never has the flexibility and adaptability of

the British constitution been more strikingly illustrated than in this momentous development. Cabinet government itself was a development of the British constitution, and, as we all know, was not authorized or created by any statute or parliamentary enactment. The Imperial War Cabinet is a new development, to meet the needs of our British Commonwealth. It is unlike any other cabinet which has ever existed, and our ideas and theories as applied to other cabinets do not and cannot apply to this. We will misunderstand the significance and work of this cabinet if we try to apply to this new creation conventional theories of a cabinet responsible to a particular parliament. As Sir Robert Borden has well pointed out, it is a cabinet of governments, and its decisions can only be implemented by the independent and voluntary action of the governments concerned. The British Empire or Commonwealth is no longer a great power with world-wide colonial possessions, or even a great central power surrounded by self-governing dominions. It is vastly greater than either—it is a coalition of free, self-governing nations, all of equal status, all owing allegiance to a common sovereign and bound together by common ideals and purposes; and the Imperial War Cabinet is a development to meet the needs of this Commonwealth.

The decisions just announced in reference to the constitution and work of the Imperial War Cabinet mark the beginning of a new epoch in our Empire's history; they mark the full recognition of the national status of the Dominions and the closer co-operation of the Dominions and the mother country in all matters relating to the prosecution of this war and terms of peace, through common consultation made possible by the Imperial War Cabinet. May we not confidently hope that in the Imperial War Cabinet we have the nucleus of an organization which, with the Crown, will be the bond of union between the different portions of the Empire in the future."

Confining Mr. Rowell proceeded to illustrate as follows the change that has been brought about by the formation of the Imperial War Cabinet. He said:

"It will help us to appreciate the importance and magnitude of the change if we recall that the British War Cabinet in the past has dealt not only with the domestic problems of the United Kingdom, but also with the problems of the whole Empire. Now these Empire problems will be dealt with, not by the British War Cabinet, but by the Imperial War Cabinet, composed of the prime ministers and representatives of all the governments of the Dominions and India and of the United Kingdom. The Imperial War Cabinet will not deal with any matters that have heretofore been dealt with by the governments of the Dominions, but only with those matters affecting the Dominions and the whole Empire which have hitherto been dealt with by the British government alone. So long as the present machinery continues, decisions relating to foreign policy will be carried out by the foreign secretary as in the past. The difference is not in the machinery for carrying out the decisions, but in the body which considers these matters and makes the decisions. The Imperial War Cabinet will continue regular sittings throughout the year, at which the Dominions are entitled to be represented by resident or visiting ministers. They will be kept fully informed as to all matters relating to the conduct of the war or negotiations for peace; and this Imperial War Cabinet, not the British War Cabinet, will deal with all war matters affecting the Dominions and the Empire as a whole. The prime ministers of Canada and the other Dominions will communicate on all the other cabinet matters directly with the prime minister of Great Britain as equals with an equal and not through the colonial office as heretofore."

The chief interest of the public in matters relating to prohibition is that the law may be rigidly enforced and the boot-legal and other violators put entirely out of business. Measures taken to that end will be judged by results. That there is too much poison of some sort available is evident from the police court records.

Toronto Star: A Canadian home fleet of swift vessels of the Bristol type would now, for a second time in the war, be worth millions to us off the Atlantic coast. As it is we must now borrow the protection these vessels can give us from Britain, Australia, or the United States.

SOMETHING TO REMEMBER SEPTEMBER 3.

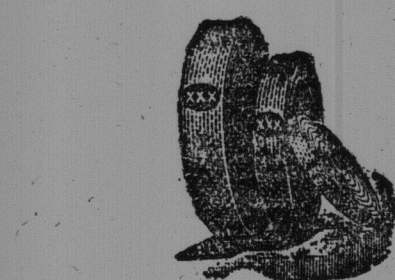
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CLOSING OF PLAYGROUNDS

The Aberdeen, Alexandra and Centennial supervised playgrounds held their closing exercises yesterday afternoon. Much praise is due to the supervisors for the excellent work which they have done during the two months that the grounds have been open. The visitors at the closings were much interested in the sale of work. Following the programmes which were carried out in each of the three schools a sale of basketry

rafta work and knitting, all of which had been done by the children, was conducted.

The Aberdeen playgrounds were in charge of Miss Ethel Hawker, assisted by Miss Blanche Kierstead. The Centennial grounds have been in charge of Miss Elsie Trentowsky, assisted by Miss L. Berwick. The Alexandra grounds were in charge of Miss Marie McKim, assisted by Miss K. Galloway.

For the second time within a few days the fire department has been called to the home of William Shaw in Waterloo street, to extinguish a blaze in a mattress.

Rev. H. D. Martin, formerly curate of St. Paul's (Valley) church, has become the rector of St. George's church in Winnipeg.

CITY OF ST. JOHN.

SEALED TENDERS will be received by the Common Clerk on forms furnished by the City, endorsed "Tender for the construction, or for the heating and plumbing of a Freight Shed and Office at Reed's Point, St. John, N. B.," until **TUESDAY, THE TENTH DAY OF SEPTEMBER NEXT**, at 11 o'clock a.m., for the construction of a freight shed with offices therein, freight drop and hoist complete at Reed's Point, according to the plans and specifications to be seen in the office of the City Engineer.

Separate tenders for the heating and plumbing of the offices will be considered.

The City does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender. No offer will be considered unless on the form supplied by the City Engineer and to be had in the Engineer's office. Cash or a certified check for five per centum of the amount of the tender must accompany each tender. This will be returned to all rejected bidders, but the City will hold the deposit accompanying the successful bid until a satisfactory bond has been entered into for the prosecution and completion of the work.

Dated at St. John, N. B., August 26th, A. D. 1918.

F. H. BULLOCK, Commissioner H. F. and P. L. ADAM P. MACINTYRE, Comptroller.

CITY OF SAINT JOHN

SEALED TENDERS will be received by the Common Clerk endorsed "Tender for Cast Iron Pipe and Castings," until **TUESDAY, THE THIRD DAY OF SEPTEMBER NEXT**, at 11 o'clock a.m., for supplying four hundred and twenty tons (420 tons) sixteen inch (16 in.) Cast Iron Water Pipe and about seven tons (7 tons) Standard Special Castings, Class D, all according to the specifications of the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers, except that the thickness of the metal and weight of the pipe shall conform to the specifications of the City of St. John, N. B.

Alternative bids for a proportionate quantity of pipe, Class C, Specifications Can. Society C. E. will be considered. List of standard special castings may be obtained at the office of the Commissioner of Water and Sewerage, or at the office of the City Engineer.

The City does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

Dated at St. John, N. B., August 23, 1918.

E. J. HILYARD, Commissioner W. & S. ADAM P. MACINTYRE, Comptroller.

ANOTHER WEEK OF SHOE BARGAINS

Our Clearance Sale Will Continue Till August 31

During the past week the people were quick to recognize real bargains and the volume of business was far beyond our expectations. Nevertheless, on account of heavy buying for Fall, we still have several lines to clear.

Men's Canvas Working Boots—Heavy rubber soles and heels. Reg. price, \$3.00. \$1.98

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An agreement for passage of legislation to stop sales of all intoxicating beverages on that date, leaders of both wet and dry factions in the senate said, seemed to be in sight.

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